

Torch Award Recipients

The Torch Award was initiated during the 1972 Parents' Weekend as a way of acknowledging and honoring alumni and non-alumni parents who have shown exceptional commitment to William Penn University. Each year the Torch Award is given to an alumni family of at least two generations; or to non-alumni parents, all of whose children have attended William Penn University. Consideration is also given to the interest and loyalty shown by the recipient family in the programs and ideals of the university.

1972	Roscoe & Helen (Maxwell) Millett	1996	Frank & Joan Spielbauer
1973	Robert & Marilyn (Reed) Ask	1997	Tom & Theresa Edwards
1974	Marion & Mildred (Hinshaw) Rains	1998	Robert & Helen Swim
1975	Eves & Iola Cadwallader	2000	Melvin & Judith Maeder
1976	Everett & Geraldine (Williams) Latham	2001	Richard Hoy
1977	Richard & Ada Drost	2002	Clyde & Mary (Paulson) Wiley
1978	Clarence & M. Helen (Stanley) Stangeland	2003	Howard E. & Emma Ware
1979	Hester (Green) Parsons	2004	Elijah & Maxine Ferguson
1980	Donald & Derys Schultze	2005	Absolom & Martha Rosenberger
1982	Lyle & Edna (Hadley) Smith	2006	Ercil & Maxine Beane
1983	Marvin & Doris (Bierman) Hoeksema	2007	Charles & Ann Lee (Norman) Nichols
1984	M. Edith (Schooley) Watson	2008	Columbus & Emma Ewing
1985	Edward & Syliva Criss	2009	Leland & Alberta White
1986	Richard & Iva Hartman	2010	Albert & Anna (Trueblood) Frazer
1987	Bernard & Ruth White	2011	John & Alice (Jones) Davis
1988	John & Frances (Beane) Watland	2012	Gene & Barbara (Hasley) Long
1989	L. Charles & Mildred (Hadley) Rich	2013	Otha & Irene (Holmquist) Wagoner
1990	James Terrell & Ruth (Wilcox) Kessler	2014	Halbert & Sylvia (Goemaat) Laird
1991	Herbert & Jeanene Peiffer	2017	Harry & Mary (Phillips) Rees
1992	Charles & Margaret Watson	2018	Elwood & Ila (Jones) Johnson
1993	Merrill & Ann Sarver	2021	Vernan & Vera Walthall
1994	Ella (Weant) Blaylock	2022	Leslie & Kim Ferguson
1995	Delbert & Virginia Taylor	2023	Jerry & Sharon McCrea